



Arlington Recycling Committee  
Minutes of 9/8/16

PRESENT

Members: Co-Chair Juli Brazile, Co-Chair Gordon Jamieson, Ellen Callaway, Larry Slotnick  
Residents: Paul Goldberg, Rebecca Sacks, Pete Howard

MINUTES of 6/2/16 approved as printed.

MEMBERSHIP: Susan has resigned because of press of business. Yingzi has moved out of Arlington. Members voted Paul to become a member. This vote must be endorsed by our Town Moderator who is the ARC's appointing authority. Members approved Gordon's recommendation to establish an Associate Member Category. This is intended to be a position with responsibility from which new formal members could be drawn. Members voted Rebecca to become an Associate Member.

TOWN DAY 9-3 9/17: ARC will have a booth at either end of the event. Each will have bins for separating trash from food waste from recyclables. There will be can & bottle recycling containers along the avenue. There will be a trailer to be pulled by a volunteer to collect cardboard. Volunteers are needed. Sign up w/ Charlotte.

Juli provided a draft half page handout (Ref 1). Members suggested revisions to encourage recycling as well as volunteering. Ellen agreed to provide a photo. Juli will revise & circulate for comment.

BUSINESS RECYCLING: Juli has a number of returns from the mailing to food businesses in early summer. She will seek a volunteer to add the info to our existing data base.

COMPOST PILOT: Rebecca will call the list of people that volunteered to work at a Farmer's Market compost collection. Larry agreed to be the contact for setting up shared composting bins. He has already set up one. This included drafting a simple contract to exchange for a free bin. Juli & Rebecca will prepare & post advertising material for this program. The material will be posted on the AList and the Town's Facebook page.

RECYCLE RIGHT: Sue has written about recycling at Town Day. Juli will submit for publication next week, 9/15. Paul has interviewed DeAnne Dupont & will write it up for 9/22. Pete will interview Patsy Kraemer who has a shared compost bin. He will prepare an article for publication on 9/29.

PROGRAM SUMMARY: Gordon sketched a diagram (Ref2) intended to relate the ARC activities, ongoing & planned.

NEW BUSINESS:

Municipal solid waste is not a category included in the Town's Sustainable Action Plan. Gordon urged us to advocate a review.

Should we expand our charter to include hazardous waste? The majority thought no since this is more disposal than recycling.

Gordon would like to get the number of trash barrels permitted per household reduced to 2. Members agreed that it would be desirable to invite the DPW Director to one of our mtgs. He last attended a meeting in Feb 2015.

NEXT MEETING **10/6/16** – Most meetings 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday monthly at 7:30 PM in Town Hall Annex 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

Ref 1 Town Day Flyer Draft

Ref 2 ARC Activities 2016-2017 (TBD)

## Town Day flyer – half sheet

The Recycling Committee is active in many areas and welcomes your ideas and participation. Meet others who share your recycling interests, let the Town know what you'd like to help make happen to reduce waste in our community, and get involved in this essential environmental, public health and local governance issue.

### Do a little – Do a lot!

- Write a short article to educate others
- Be part of our on-going efforts to help local businesses recycle more
- Volunteer at our monthly Recycle Center
- Sign up to compost with a neighbor and get a free compost bin

Anyone is welcome to attend our meetings – usually on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday at 7:30 pm. But lots of recycling work happens outside of our meetings and our listserv lets you stay updated on upcoming events and volunteer opportunities. Contact Recycling Coordinator Charlotte Milan at [cmilan@town.arlington.ma.us](mailto:cmilan@town.arlington.ma.us) or 781-316-3108 for information on how to join.

Recycle Right

Recycling Center

Two Barrels

Composting

Membership

Town Day/Eco-Fest/CCD

Biz Recycling

ASAP/Solid Waste  
HHW Disposal